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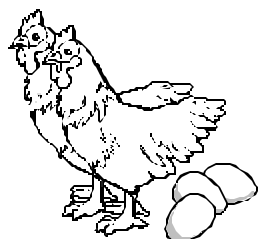
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Early week prices were lower in all locations. During the week prices continued lower on all sizes in all areas. The market tone was steady to barely steady and was attempting to settle at present price levels. Demand was light to moderate and was best where features provided additional movement. Supplies were adequate to available. Central States breaking stock nest run prices were mixed with checks and undergrades unchanged. Heavy nest run offerings generally adequate for current needs with spotty availability noted on graded loose shell eggs. Demand was mostly moderate. Liquid movement was mostly fair and generally rated as quiet for spot orders of product. Schedules mostly full-time for next week. Floor stocks adequate to fully adequate. Trade sentiment steady. Demand for the light type fowl was moderate to instances good for adequate to fully adequate offerings.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

NORTHEAST CITIES	EXTRA LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
Boston (Brown)	91-95	80-84	68-72
New York	54-58	52-56	47-51
Philadelphia	52-63.5	51-61.5	46-51

SOUTHERN CITIES

Atlanta (1) (2)	47-62.5	45-58.5	37-44
Jackson (1)	76-78	75-77	50-52
Major Louisiana Cities (1)	55-65	53-63	46-56

MIDWEST CITIES

Chicago	45-49	43-47	38-42
Detroit (2)	43-48	42-47	39-43
Major Ohio Cities (2)	45-49	44-47	37-41
Major Wisconsin Cities	46-53	45-51	39-44

WESTERN CITIES

Houston (1)	65-75	63-71	56-65
California (Grade AA)(1)(3)	83	78	72

(1) - Prices reported weekly

(2) - Delivered Warehouse

(3) - Reported Invoice prices

SHELL EGGS-12 METRO AREA FOR WEEK ENDING 05-Apr-02
AVERAGE PRICES ON SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A LARGE OR BETTER, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN.

REGIONS	EX LARGE	LARGE	MEDIUM
NORTHEAST	64.70	62.83	51.36
SOUTHERN	72.59	70.58	50.73
MIDWEST	58.35	56.76	45.23
WESTERN	87.03	83.50	69.98
TWELVE METRO AREAS	71.92	69.49	56.69

COMPUTED FROM SIMPLE WEEKLY AVERAGES WEIGHTED BY METROPOLITAN AREA POPULATIONS

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS FOR LOOSE EGGS AT FARM, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, CENTS PER DOZEN

	04-09-02	04-02-02	04-10-01
Large	26-29	37-40	56-58
Medium	20-24	24-28	40-42

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM APR 08, 2002

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		NO	SO	SO	5-Area	
		CENT	CENT	Atl	Pacific	
Jumbo	Curr Wk	11.8	17.5	11.8	14.2	11.0
	Change	0.0	-2.0	1.1	0.5	-2.9
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	22.1	45.1	15.3	25.4	26.5
	Change	2.2	1.1	4.6	0.0	3.1
Large	Curr Wk	43.0	121.2	72.4	91.0	80.1
	Change	11.9	39.1	3.8	19.5	14.3
Medium	Curr Wk	8.4	29.3	20.3	13.6	24.9
	Change	-0.6	2.3	0.0	-0.8	0.9
Small	Curr Wk	4.6	5.3	3.5	3.9	9.5
	Change	1.6	1.0	-1.0	1.4	3.0
Misc	Curr Wk	5.2	18.0	7.4	12.9	7.6
	Change	1.2	1.3	-1.7	-2.2	0.7
Ungraded	Curr Wk	18.0	42.8	42.7	27.9	27.2
	Change	4.2	8.4	15.1	8.0	-0.9
Total	Curr Wk	113.1	279.2	173.4	188.9	186.8
Percent	Change	22%	22%	14%	16%	11%

TOTAL	Number of Cases	Percent Change	Number of Cooperators
Shell Egg	941.4	17%	173
Shell Egg Breaking Stock 2/	271.3	11%	38

Total Shell Egg 1212.7 16% 211

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 173 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

2/ Due to changes in the cooperator universe, the relevant totals for the previous week were ADJUSTED. This adjustment is necessary to facilitate valid comparisons. The revised figures are:

	NO	SO	SO	5-AREA
NORTHEAST	CENT	CENT	ATL	PACIFIC SUMMARY
	92.6	228.0	151.5	162.5
				168.6
				803.2

EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 06-APR-02

(LBS IN THOUSANDS)

(EXCLUDES INGREDIENTS)

	CASES	LIQUID	LIQUID	LIQUID	DRIED	INED
	BROKEN	WHOLE	WHITE	YOLK		
CW	1,213,905	28,637	12,093	6,419	2,478	4,329
PW	1,095,804	26,637	10,571	5,342	1,996	3,911
LY	1,079,594	25,662	10,283	5,660	1,655	3,992
% PW	11	8	14	20	24	11
% LY	12	12	18	13	50	8
2002	15,701,088	361,887	156,630	83,344	36,807	57,012
2001	15,225,684	346,085	154,428	83,792	32,803	55,469
% CHG YTD	3	5	1	-1	12	3

AVERAGE YIELD PER CASE -

	CURRENT	PREVIOUS	LAST
	WEEK	WEEK	YEAR
(INEDIBLE INCLUDED)	42.41	42.40	42.24
(INEDIBLE EXCLUDED)	38.84	38.83	38.54

FOUR ADDITIONAL STATES IN WEEKLY PROGRAM

Beginning May 16, 2001 four additional States were added to the weekly program for broiler eggs set in incubators and broiler chicks placed for meat production. The four additional States are Kentucky, Louisiana, Missouri, and Oklahoma. Data collection and weekly estimates began with the week ending April 7, 2001.

STATE	Broiler Eggs Set in		Broiler Chicks Placed	
	19 Selected States		in 19 Selected States	
	Mar 30	Apr 06	Mar 30	Apr 06
	Thousand			
AL	29,543	29,181	*22,372	21,763
AR	29,747	30,730	24,294	24,056
DE	*3,537	3,556	*4,762	5,708
FL	2,368	2,335	2,215	2,321
GA	*31,333	32,173	*26,126	26,099
MD	9,618	9,979	*6,050	5,815
MS	18,945	19,079	15,550	15,542
NC	19,104	19,565	15,491	14,771
PA	*3,700	3,888	*2,678	2,825
SC	4,717	4,705	3,829	3,627
TX	*15,368	15,560	*12,096	11,781
VA	6,573	6,041	*5,661	6,211
CA, TN, & WV	11,150	11,195	10,607	9,654
15 State Total	*185,703	187,987	*151,731	150,173
Prev. Year Total	182,666	186,553	150,234	148,386
Pct. of Prev. Year	102	101	101	101
KY	*6,326	6,690	*5,330	5,298
OK	6,271	6,449	4,928	5,377
LA & MO	8,960	9,215	8,875	7,755
19 State Total	*207,260	210,341	*170,864	168,603
Revised				

BASED ON THE PRELIMINARY CHICK PLACEMENTS, THE NUMBER OF FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING DURING THE WEEK ENDING 18-May-02 IS ESTIMATED AT 156.2 MILLION HEAD. THIS COMPARES TO 156.0 MILLION HEAD THE PREVIOUS WEEK AND TO 159.1 MILLION HEAD THE SAME WEEK A YEAR AGO, WHEN THE SLAUGHTER WAS 159.9 MILLION HEAD AND THE 12-CITY WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE WAS 59.95 CENTS PER POUND.

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES - WEEKLY WTD AVG PRICES

(CNTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING WEEK OF 04/04/02-04/10/02

CURRENT LDS 132.50 **FUTURE LDS** 73.50 **TOTAL LDS** 206.00

	SE		NE		MW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W XL	—	—	—	—	—	—	5.00
GNR W 1	30.00	32.50	31.00	32.19	32.84	32.65	37.00
GNR W 2	—	29.67	—	—	27.00	29.00	8.00
GNR BR 1	—	40.00	32.75	34.00	—	37.50	7.00
GL W J	—	36.00	—	—	37.50	—	2.00
GL W XL	—	38.07	38.64	39.32	35.70	—	47.25
GL W LG	27.00	37.31	29.46	32.12	30.78	38.00	27.75
GL W MD	—	33.29	34.18	34.00	28.73	—	21.75
GL W SM	—	—	22.63	24.38	—	—	4.00
NRBS - 50	—	—	—	—	—	30.00	2.00
NRBS - 48	25.83	29.00	25.00	26.00	29.06	27.94	63.50
NRBS - 39	—	—	—	—	—	16.50	4.00

MOVEMENT OF EGGS INTO RETAIL CHANNELS W/E 6-Apr-02

SELECTED	CW	PW	PCT	CHG
CONSUMING CENTERS	THOUSANDS		PW	LY
ATLANTA	17.9	35.5	-50	-35
BOSTON	3.6	3.6	0	-3
CHICAGO	44.9	75.8	-41	-44
DETROIT	19.8	53.0	-63	-33
KANSAS CITY	7.0	4.8	46	-7
LOS ANGELES	73.5	109.9	-33	-49
NEW ORLEANS	11.9	14.5	-18	51
NEW YORK	30.9	39.9	-23	-20
ST. LOUIS	17.1	18.3	-7	-32
SAN FRANCISCO	20.9	32.4	-35	-18
TOTAL	247.5	387.7	-36	-37
4 WK MVG AVG	330.5			

LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 6-Apr-2002

	YOUNG HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD	TOTAL
	-----THOUSANDS-----				
HEAD	1,762	2,204	24	5	3,995
AVG WT	16.21	34.94	24.29	33.82	26.61
LAST WEEK	1,584	2,512	21	1	4,118
SAME WK YR AGO	2,254	2,603	52	0	4,909
AVG WT	16.29	35.57	23.11	0.00	26.59
TO-DATE/2002	24,129	36,062	556	110	60,857
TO-DATE/2001	27,456	36,965	536	226	65,183

NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 6-Apr-2002

(PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

—YOUNG TURKEYS—				OLD		TOTAL TURKEYS
THOUSAND	PCT	CHG	AVG	BANDED	AVG	
HEAD	PW	LIVE WT	-THOUSAND	HEAD	LIVE WT	
N EAST	882	27	22.41	(A)	883	22.41
SATL	415	-44	25.41	(A)	416	25.41
N CENT	1,828	-5	30.57	(A)	1,829	30.57
S CENT	478	18	23.31	(A)	479	23.31
WEST	387	12	22.36	(A)	388	22.36
U.S. TOTAL	3,990 (B)	-3	26.61	5	3,995	26.61
TO-DATE						
2002	60,747 (B)			110	60,857	
TO-DATE						
2001	64,957 (B)			226	65,183	

(A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.

(B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 24,000 for the year 556,000; last year to date 536,000.

LIVE POULTRY SLTRD UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION

WEEK ENDING 06-Apr-2002 (PRELIMINARY)

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS	DUCKS
-----THOUSANDS-----					
HEAD	152,511	1,982	1,263	3,245	363
AVG WT	5.07	3.55	7.86	5.23	6.63
LAST WEEK	146,133	1,978	1,250	3,228	391
SAME WK YR AGO	153,854	2,033	1,443	3,476	516
AVG WT	4.92	3.57	7.88	5.36	6.31
TO-DATE/2002	2,129,420	25,302	18,021	43,323	6,146
TO-DATE/2001	2,098,544	26,357	18,132	44,489	6,855

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 157.9 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 154.4 million head or 3.5 million headless than or 98% of estimated fryers available.

ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER

UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION FOR WEEK ENDING 13-Apr-02

	CURRENT WEEK 04/13/02(1)	PREVIOUS WEEK 04/06/02
-----THOUSAND HEAD-----		
CLASS		
BRO-FRY	161,742(2)	160,045
LT HENS	2,099	2,152
HVY HENS	1,361	1,306
TOTAL	165,202	163,503

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 13-Apr-02 is 159.3 million head compared to 145.8 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 162.1 million head or 2.8 million more than estimated available. For week of 20-Apr-02 the estimated available is 160.5 million head.

**ESTIMATED U.S. SLAUGHTER COMPARED TO
ESTIMATED FRYERS AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING.**

WEEK ENDING	MILLION HEAD SLAUGHTERED	MILLION HEAD AVAILABLE	AVG WT
MARCH			
2	156.8	158.1	99%
9	157.0	157.7	100%
16	155.1	155.6	100%
23	153.5	154.3	99%
30	147.9	155.9	95%
APRIL			
6	154.4	157.9	98%
YEAR TO DATE	2155.4	2173.2	99%
APRIL			
13		159.3	
20		160.5	

READY-TO-COOK POULTRY BROILER/FRYERS

FINAL REPORT OF PRICES NEGOTIATED FOR TRUCKLOT SALES OF READY-TO-COOK ICE PACKED AND CO2 PACKED B/F TO BE DELIVERED TO FIRST RECEIVERS WEEK OF 04/08/02-04/13/02

	U.S. GRADE A		COMPOSITE	
	MAJ	WTD AVG	LDS	WTD AVG
Chicago	42.00-45.00	45.43	40	47.10
Los Angeles	67.00	64.94	64	62.23
New York	44.00-46.00	45.76	21	49.61

12-CITY COMPOSITE WTD AVG PRICES FOR RTC BROILER/FRYERS

Change from			
8-Apr-02	1-Apr-02	1-Apr-02	9-Apr-01
53.64	0.69	52.95	58.42

NUMBER OF LOADS 628

WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	LBS (000)
CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/				
8-16 LB HENS				
EASTERN REGION 3/	58.5-59	58.5	58.50	200
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-59	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	58-60	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS				
EASTERN REGION	53.5-54	53.5	53.50	80
CENTRAL REGION	53-55	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	52-54	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F.

2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting.

4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting.

5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting.

**WEEKLY COLD STORAGE HOLDINGS-SELECTED STGE CENTERS
(INCL GOVT STOCKS) (IN THOUSANDS)**

	FREGS LBS	TURKS LBS	POP LBS
AM 8-Apr-02	1,215	172,710	78,411
AM 1-Apr-02	1,480	164,226	77,627
CHG	-265	8484	784
PCT CHG	-18	5	1

HEN MARKETS Final Price, Cents Per LB, Generally for slaughter the week of **04/08/02**

HEAVY TYPE	RANGE	MAJORITY	WTD. AVG
Southeast (1)	8-10.5 CENTS/LB.	8.25-9	8.82
Southeast (2)	TFEWR		
South Central (1)	6.75-11.5 CENTS/LB.	7.75-9	8.81

LIGHT TYPE

Cents Per LB, Day of Negotiation, Generally for slaughter within the next 10 days. **04/05/02**

Eastern (1) 0-0

Eastern (2) 0-0

So. Central (2) TFEWR*

No. Central (1) TFEWR*

No. Central (2) 0

(1) At Farm Buyer Loading (2) At Farm Producer Loading

*TFEWR - Too Few to Report

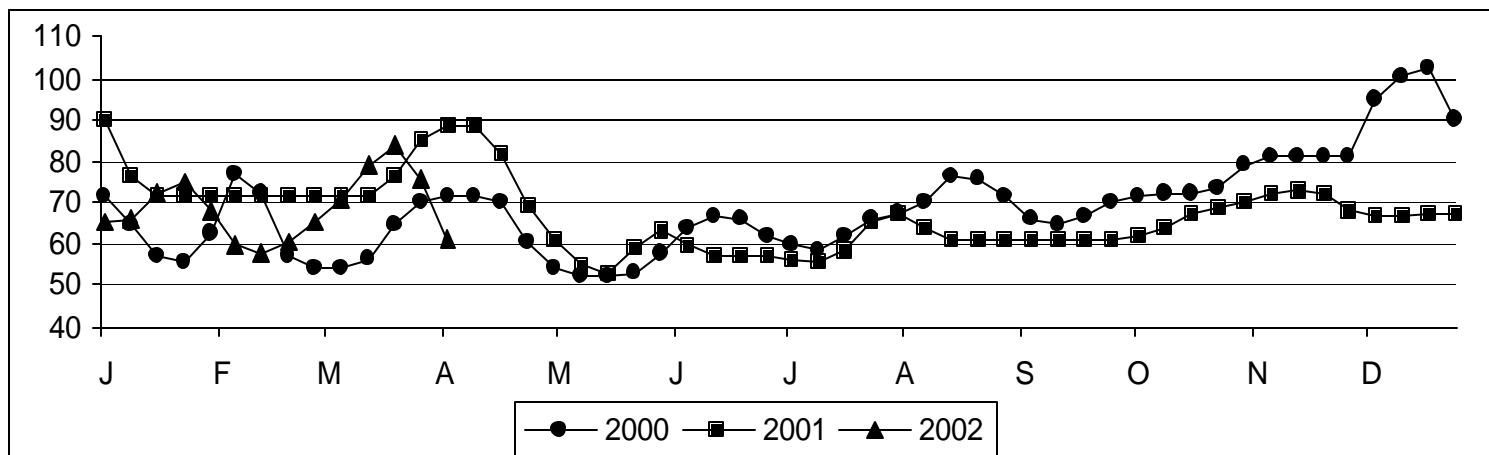
COMMERCIAL EGG MOVEMENT REPORT W/E 06-Apr-02
(RECEIPTS FROM PRODUCERS)

REGIONS	CASES (IN THOUS)	PERCENT CHANGE FROM PW	LY
N. ATLANTIC	229.2	-2	3
E.N. CENTRAL	498.1	-13	-7
W.N. CENTRAL	244.9	-15	-19
S. ATLANTIC	182.3	-6	-7
S. CENTRAL	83.6	-3	4
WEST	180.6	-20	-7

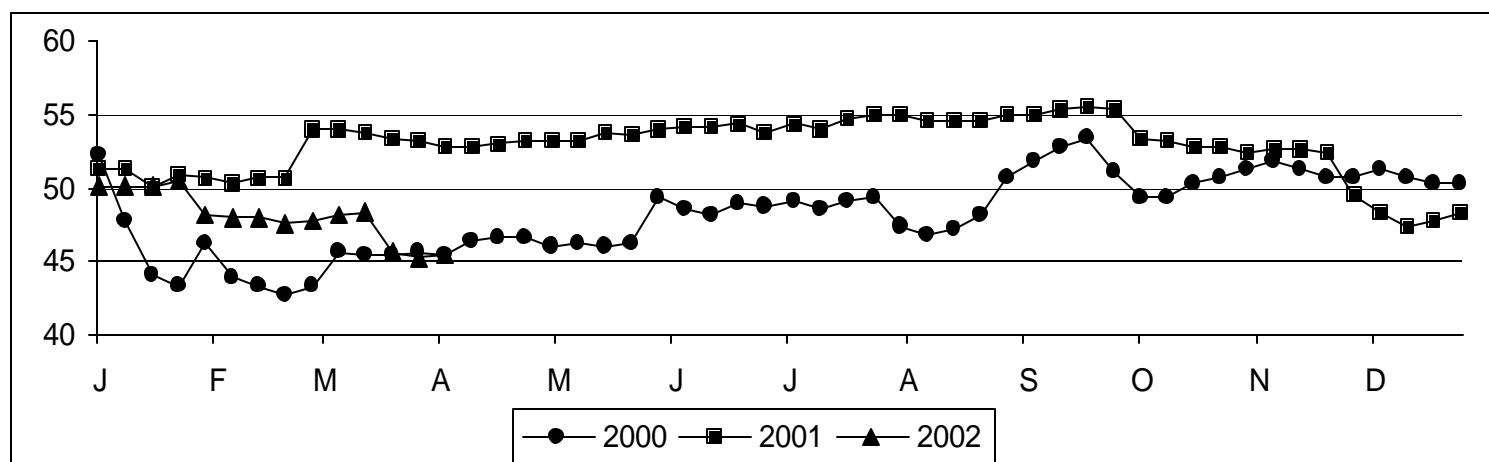
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New York Large Weekly Average Price

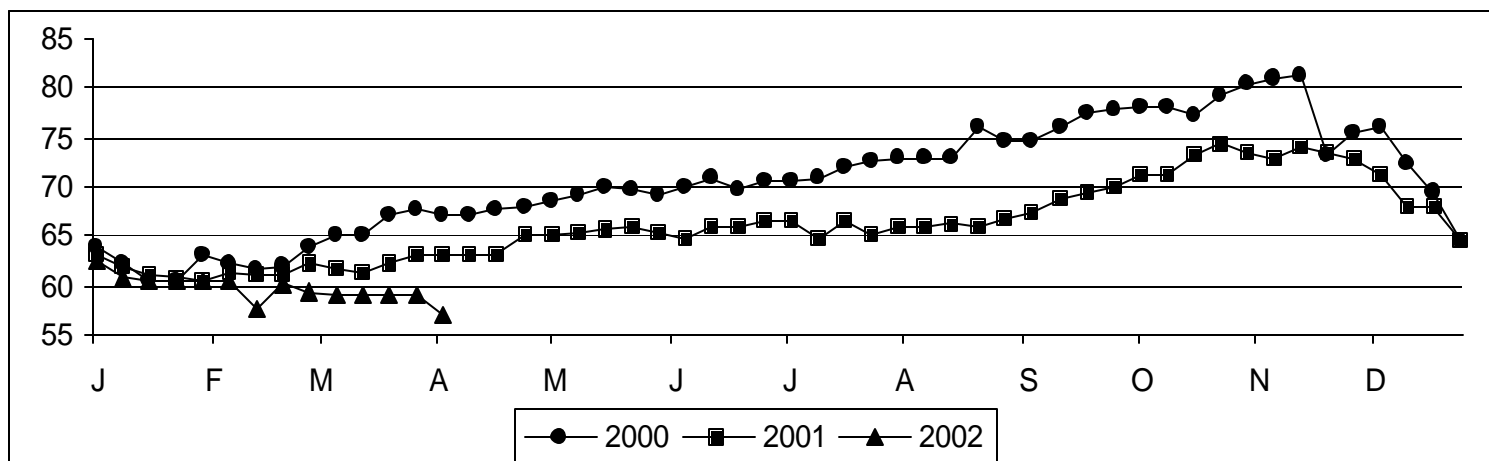
Cents per Dozen

**Chicago Broiler/Fryer Weighted Average Prices**

Cents per Pound

**Eastern Region Weekly Average Prices for 8-16 LB Hen Turkeys**

Cents per Pound



Note: Some Weeks' Average Prices are Based on Offers Only

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